RAILWAYS.

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SUBJECT No. 290.

Better treatment to 3rd class passengers.

Mr. Venkatakrishniah, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Better treatment to the 3rd class passengers on the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway may be secured and arrangements be made for an effective supervision in the matter.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 291.

Waiting rooms for 3rd class female passengers in railway stations.

Messrs. M. Venkatkrishniah, Mysore City Municipality; and E. Rama Rao, Padmannah and Venkatsamiah, Nanjangud taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Government may be pleased to move the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway authorities to open separate waiting rooms for the 3rd class female passengers in all the railway stations.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 292.

Accommodation during jatras and festivals.

Mr. Hutchaviregowda, Gubbi taluk.

Summary of discussion.—During festivals and jatras, the Railway authorities overcrowd the compartments with passengers, thereby causing annoyance and inconvenience to the travelling public. The compartments may be arranged to be occupied by the prescribed number only. In this connection, a reference is invited to Subject No. 298 of 1910. Arrangements may also be made to prevent the Railway Police from molesting the passengers and to afford facilities to the travelling public to secure tickets and seats in trains without trouble and annoyance.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 293.

Intermediate class on the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway line.

Messrs. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality; and M. Venkatakrishniah, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway Company may be asked to run an intermediate class of carriages on the State lines as is done on other Railway lines.

Reply of Government.—This is not considered necessary.

SUBJECT No. 294.

A through carriage between Shimoga and Bangalore.

Messrs. S. Sitaramiah, Shimoga Municipality; and H. Pilkington, North Mysore Planters' Association.

Summary of discussion.—Government may be pleased to state whether the Agent to the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway Company has given instructions to run a through composite carriage between Shimoga and Bangalore, in both directions. Change of carriages at Birur causes much inconvenience to passengers during nights, especially when they travel from the Bangalore side. It is very necessary that arrangements should be made to afford some relief to passengers in this matter.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered. If necessary, a composite carriage with special rates of fare may be tried.

SUBJECT No. 295.

New Railway lines.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao Kulkarni, Chitaldrug District Board.

Summary of discussion.—The opening of Railway lines from Royadurga to Holalkere, from Kottur to Harihar and from Holalkere to Sira *via* Hiriyur, will promote commercial activity.